

Start Program to Chinatown in 1965. In addition, to address the growing needs of Chinatown's Asian American low-income and immigrant communities she became the founding member of the Chinese American Planning Council (CPC), one the largest and most comprehensive organizations serving low-income Asian American families in the Northeast. Today, decades later, CPC serves more than 60,000 families annually and continues to deliver cultural and holistic services to New York City's expanding Asian community. Ms. Kee remains an active member of the Board.

Ms. Kee realized early that civic engagement and political participation were key to securing resources, making local decisions, and improving public services in her community. A pioneer both as a woman and an Asian American, she became one of the first Chinese Americans to be elected to party office in the Democratic Party. In 1980 she was a member of Governor James Hunt's Commission setting the rules for the Democratic Presidential Nominating Procedures. She fought for and achieved the inclusion of Asian American representation as delegates to the Democratic Party Presidential Convention. Her relentless efforts in community action have resulted in the empowerment of her community. In year 2000 she served as a member of the New York State Electoral College. She has been a strong voice for equitable representation by Asian Americans in all levels of government and voting rights in New York City.

Over the years Virginia has received numerous awards. She was recognized by the National Conference of Christians and Jews as one of their Fifty Extraordinary Women. United Federation of Teachers presented her an award for community service. Her alma mater, Hunter College of the City of New York inducted her into their Hall of Fame. In the aftermath of Abner Louima, she provided leadership on the Taskforce on Police and Community. She was a Member of the New York City Human Rights Commission and a champion against hate crimes and civil rights violations.

Ms. Virginia Kee's life, public service and love of her community is an example of a life well-lived serving others. Her poise, elegance and authenticity are admirable. Therefore, Madam Speaker, I ask that you rise with me today to honor and celebrate Ms. Virginia Kee's 90th Birthday.

**TRIBUTE TO BECKY GELHAAR—  
28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
WOMAN OF THE YEAR**

**HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 17, 2022*

Mr. SCHIFF. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contributions and sacrifices made by our Nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my Congressional District. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Becky Gelhaar of La Cañada Flintridge, California.

Born in Spokane, Washington and raised in Illinois, Ms. Gelhaar graduated from Miami University in Ohio, married her high school sweetheart, Chuck Gelhaar, and taught high

school physical education in Illinois. In the mid-1960's, the Gelhaars moved to La Cañada Flintridge, where they raised their two children, Lisa and Laura.

Ms. Gelhaar immediately got involved in her new community, joining the Newcomers Club, and with other Newcomers Club members, co-founding the La Cañada Junior Women's Club. The consummate volunteer, Ms. Gelhaar maintains that her life of volunteer service began with the La Cañada Junior Women's Club, where she chaired many committees and became involved in other organizations, such as the American Red Cross, serving as President of the La Cañada Flintridge chapter and on the board of the Pasadena chapter. Active in Parent Teacher Associations (PTA), she held several chairmanships, serving as La Cañada High School 7/8 PTA President, on the PTA Council, and on the board of La Cañada Flintridge Educational Foundation. Ms. Gelhaar was also a Girl Scout leader and served on the Girl Scout Council.

Other organizations Ms. Gelhaar has participated in include Chapter OM, P.E.O. (Philanthropic Educational Organization), La Cañada Flintridge Delta Gamma alumnae group, and, as a result of her interest in gardening, La Cañada Valley Beautiful. In addition, she has been involved with the Assistance League of Flintridge for over three decades and the La Cañada Flintridge Coordinating Council for over two decades. Her most recent activity is as Corresponding Secretary of the Daughters of the American Revolution. For her unstinting and outstanding service to the La Cañada Flintridge community, she received the PTA Service Award and the Les Tupper Community Service Award.

Ms. Gelhaar and Chuck, her husband of nearly sixty years, enjoy traveling and spending time with their family, especially their five grandchildren, Jack, Kelly, Casey, Kyle, and Megan.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring this exceptional, well-respected woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Becky Gelhaar.

**CYBERSECURITY GRANTS FOR  
SCHOOLS ACT OF 2022**

SPEECH OF

**HON. ANDREW R. GARBARINO**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 16, 2022*

Mr. GARBARINO. Mr. Speaker, H.R. 6868, the Cybersecurity Grants for Schools Act of 2022, would authorize the Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) to award grants to states, local governments, and educational institutions for cybersecurity curriculum and educational tools.

The threat of cyberattacks from Russia and other foreign adversaries is more prevalent than ever. By incorporating cybersecurity into our school's curriculum, alongside core subjects like math and science, we will be able to bring up the next generation with a strong foundation to not only protect themselves individually from cybercrimes, but also to inspire greater participation in the cybersecurity workforce.

Cyber attacks are the next frontier in the great power competition with China and Rus-

sia and we must act now to mitigate this threat and build resilience throughout our citizenry.

I was pleased to work closely with the Cyber Innovation Center and CYBER.ORG to draft this legislation, and to have since received the support of the Center for Excellence in Education and other industry leaders. We all recognize the national security imperative that is cybersecurity literacy.

I am hopeful the House will pass this bipartisan legislation with broad support, and the Senate will act quickly to do the same, so we can begin to increase the cyber skills pipeline, recruit new students, and empower the future cyber workforce.

**RECOGNIZING DEAN DONALD  
TOBIN**

**HON. ERIC SWALWELL**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 17, 2022*

Mr. SWALWELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today, along with Congressman JOHN SARBANES, to recognize Donald Tobin, who is stepping down after eight years of service as Dean at the Maryland Carey Law. Dean Tobin will be returning to full-time teaching as a member of the faculty.

Dean Tobin was instrumental in creating a culture where students could tackle tough issues from systematic racism to crime and poverty to privacy and technology. And I know that the Carey Law school credits Dean Tobin with uniting the law school community and expanding student opportunities for community engagement.

Following the tragic death of Freddie Gray, Dean Tobin strengthened the Carey Law School's community outreach efforts and provided opportunities for students to serve those in need. He also assisted with the opening of the Chacón Center for Immigrant Justice, which provides free legal services to clients facing issues of asylum; added a new Appellate Clinic to the Maryland Carey Law's Immigration Clinic; and helped to provide scholarships for students interested in studying immigration law.

In addition, under Dean Tobin's leadership, the Carey Law school expanded its Clinical Law Program, in which student attorneys provide free legal services to low-income residents. He also launched new clinics in criminal defense and justice for victims of crime, and oversaw the doubling of scholarship spending, which helped the law school attract diverse and impressive applicants.

Furthermore, Dean Tobin served his community by participating on the Maryland Access to Justice Commission, which unites state leaders to improve the civil justice system and served on the Maryland Court of Appeals committee to advise on the Uniform Bar Exam, which Maryland adopted in 2019.

As a law student of Dean Tobin, I will be forever thankful for his commitment to educating the next generation of lawyers and leaders. I rise today to recognize his service.

RECOGNIZING THE 2022 TRUMAN  
SCHOLARS

**HON. DUSTY JOHNSON**

OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 17, 2022*

Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 2022 Truman Scholars.

These 58 individuals were chosen from an applicant pool of 705. These students were nominated based on their records of leadership, public service, and academic achievement.

They are: Haleemat Y. Adekoya, Cameron H. Adkins, Julian R. Applebaum, Lorena Bonet Velazquez, Jilkiah L. Bryant, Fatimata D. Cham, Ji Hye Choi, Mariah Choiniere, Alton Coston, Gabriel Echarte, James H. Elliott II, Adam H. Elzarka, Tal Feldman, Rosalie Fish, Andy A. Flores, Beatrix A. Frissell, Robyn L. Griffiths-Harper, Christine J. Groves, Avi Gupta, Beyonce Hammond, Abril N. Hunter, Bhav Jain, Alixandria James, Jack Jowers, Sawa Kamara, Amisha A. Kambath, Hana Kamran, Eshika Kaul, Liana S. Keesing, Liberty R. Ladd, Jamie Landy, Jessica S. Lau, Allen Li, John C. Lin, Erin Lowe, Madison I. Marsh, Kelsey E. Matthews, Ranen Miao, Armando A. Montero, Abrianna E. Morales, Owen Mortner, Mariama L. Mwilambwe, Xalma M. Palomino, Veronica Bonifacio Penales, Emily Quan, Natalia V. Rios Martinez, Dawry Ruiz, Oksanna Samey, Maddi S. Schink, Katie Sleichter, Cooper E. Smith, Irene Soteriou, Rachel Stewart, Emma Story, Loyal D. Terry, Cassandra J. Thompson, Rebecca Townley, and Sydney J. Walker.

The Truman Foundation was established by Congress in 1975 to honor President Harry S. Truman's legacy of extraordinary public service. The Truman Scholarship serves as a living monument to that legacy. As a former Truman scholar myself, I look forward to seeing how this class continues that legacy.

CONGRATULATING KENDALL EVELYN  
MARCHANT ON HER GRADUATION FROM THE HOCKADAY  
SCHOOL

**HON. KAY GRANGER**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 17, 2022*

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Kendall Evelyn Marchant, who is the granddaughter of my distinguished former colleague, Congressman Kenny Marchant, on her graduation from The Hockaday School on May 14, 2022. Kendall was born on December 19, 2003, in Dallas County, Texas to Lindsay (Hill) and Matthew Marchant. She is the sister of Hayden Marchant and the granddaughter of Kenny and Donna Marchant and Rod and Sherry Hill.

Kendall has attended the world-renowned Hockaday School since pre-kindergarten and has consistently made her family proud through her numerous academic and non-academic achievements. During high school, Kendall was on the Head of School List every semester, in addition to earning the Senior History Award, a Gold Medal and a Silver Medal

in the National Spanish Exam, and the AP Scholar with Honor distinction.

Kendall also pursued numerous extracurriculars while at The Hockaday School, serving as a member of the school's Honor Council and the co-president of the Hockaday Young Republicans. Due to her keen interest in film, Kendall founded the Hockaday Film Society, where she also served as the group's president. Additionally, Kendall's submission to the All-American High School Film Festival was chosen as an Official Selection, demonstrating her talent in the field.

Finishing out the triple crown of her scholastic accomplishments, Kendall is also a phenomenal athlete who played lacrosse, softball, and was a 3-year member of the varsity basketball team, where she served as Captain in her senior year. Her athletic awards include the Split H award and the Athlete of the Week.

Outside of school, Kendall is very involved with helping her community. She volunteers at the First Baptist Church of Carrollton as an engagement leader and mentor and serves as a tutor with the North Texas Reading Partners Program. She also volunteered at Metrocrest Services during critical months of the COVID-19 pandemic, helping to provide food to the most vulnerable.

Lastly, Kendall served as a crew member at the AMC Northpark Theater in 2021 and was active with the North Dallas YoungLife program.

Kendall is most importantly a wonderful and caring daughter, sister, niece, cousin, and granddaughter to her loving family members. She will attend Baylor University in the Fall of 2022 as a University Scholar, with concentrations in History and Neuroscience with a minor in Creative Writing.

I ask all of my colleagues to join me in honoring Kendall Marchant on her graduation from The Hockaday School and wish her success at Baylor University.

CELEBRATING 50 YEAR RELATIONSHIP  
BETWEEN QATAR AND THE  
U.S.

**HON. JOE WILSON**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 17, 2022*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, it is my honor to commemorate the 50-year relationship between the United States and Qatar.

In addition to serving as the Co-Chair of the Congressional Caucus on Qatar, I serve on both the House Foreign Affairs Committee and the House Armed Services Committee. I am grateful for the opportunity to work closely with Qatar both diplomatically and strategically.

The United States established diplomatic relations with Qatar following its independence from the United Kingdom in 1971. Officially, the beginning of diplomatic relations took place on March 19, 1972, when American diplomat William Stoltzfus met with Qatari government officials and submitted his credentials. Bilateral relations between the two countries expanded when the U.S. opened its embassy in Doha in March 1973; and when the first resident U.S. Ambassador, Robert Peter Paganelli, arrived in July 1974.

The United States and Qatar cooperate militarily and strategically on security in the re-

gion. One of the earliest and most notable military cooperation's between the U.S. and Qatar was in 1991, when joint military operations were conducted against Saddam Hussein's Iraq during Operation Desert Storm. In the aftermath, both nations agreed upon the need for a Defense Cooperation Agreement. This pact, which has subsequently been expanded, has served as the basis for our military collaboration.

In 1996, Qatar built Al Udeid Air Base to further security ties between our countries. In 1999, then Emir of Qatar, Sheikh Hamad, told U.S. officials that he "would like to see as many as 10,000 U.S. servicemen permanently stationed at Al Udeid." The U.S. first used the then-secret base in late September 2001, when the Air Force needed to get aircraft in position for its operations in Afghanistan. In April 2003, the U.S. Combat Air Operations Center for the Middle East moved from Prince Sultan Air Base in Saudi Arabia to Qatar, underscoring the importance of Qatar to the American presence and objectives in the region.

Al Udeid is now home to the largest U.S. military base in the Middle East and more notably Qatar is not only allowing expansion of Al Udeid, but also funding it and managing the construction. In fact, the Qatari government has provided over \$8 billion in funding for Al Udeid Air Base since 2003. After renovations and expansions, Al Udeid will be able to accommodate up to 120 aircraft and 10,000 troops, just like then Emir of Qatar, Sheikh Hamad had wished for.

Personally, I am grateful that the U.S. Air Forces Central Command is headquartered at Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina and has a forward headquarters in Qatar. As the air component of CENTCOM, AFCENT is responsible for air operations, either unilaterally or in concert with coalition partners, and for developing contingency plans in support of national objectives for CENTCOM's 20-nation area of responsibility.

Qatar has been an invaluable partner on several diplomatic fronts. Qatar quietly assisted in ending the Israel-Hamas war in May 2021 and continues to be helpful in seeking to improve Israeli relations with Palestinians. Qatar played a significant role in the evacuation of more than 100,000 people from Afghanistan after the disastrous withdrawal by the Biden Administration. Qatar facilitated vetting of individuals seeking to leave the country and organized aspects of their departure. Many of the flights that enabled people to evacuate were by way of Qatari airlines. In addition, a large percentage of the new refugees were brought to Qatar, which arranged housing and other shelter for them as well as food, medicine and other provisions. At one point, the Qatari military was providing over 50,000 meals per day to the newly arrived refugees. There are still thousands of Afghan refugees in Qatar, where they continue to receive much needed care and assistance.

In addition to security and diplomatic relations, the United States and Qatar have extensive economic ties. As Qatar's largest foreign direct investor and its single largest source of imports, the United States has developed a robust trade relationship with Qatar, with over 120 U.S. companies operating in country. U.S. exports to Qatar increased by 47.7 percent from 2018 to 2019, totaling \$6.5 billion in 2019.